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AMENDMENT AFTER BOARD DECISION

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the new ground of rejection in the decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences dated October 31, 2001, please amend as follows:

In The Claims

Please amend claim 11 as follows:

11. (amended) A purified peptide designated p53as peptide which peptide is present in p53as protein of a mammal and is identical to the unique carboxy terminal region of p53as which distinguishes p53as protein from p53 protein, said peptide containing a unique epitope which is not present in p53 said peptide containing a peptide sequence selected from the group consisting of SPNC and SPPC.

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